

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

On January 14, 2010, a personal interview was conducted with Examiner Thomas Diaz, and Applicant's representatives Mark Garscia and Saeid Mirsafian. During the interview, claim 1 was discussed.

Applicant's representatives discussed whether the Hendrick reference is properly combinable with the Taubmann reference. The Examiner stated that Hendrick is properly combinable with Taubmann due to the nature of the gear art and the fact that the same general type of gearing (i.e. worm and worm wheel) is being used. Applicant's representatives also discussed with the Examiner the limitations regarding the length of the internal toothing of the spindle nut relative to the length of the external toothing of the spindle nut. The Examiner stated that he will take into consideration any added limitations supported by the specification when Applicant files a response.

The undersigned thanks Examiner Diaz for the time and attention devoted to the interview.